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OUTLINE

- Definition
- Classification
- Clinical Features
- Lab abnormalities
- Diagnosis
- Lupus related syndromes

Lupus Erythematosus

- Autoimmune disease, Ch **by auto-**
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complex deposition in CT,
-widespread **inflammatory** da
- Difficult to diagnose as
Symptoms & signs are **nonspecific**
■ & tend to overlap.



Classification of cutaneous LE spectrum

Chronic cutaneous LE (DLE) I)

Well defined scarring discoid lesions •

1. Localized
2. Generalized
3. Hypertrophic
4. Lupus profundus
5. Erosive palmoplantar

-ve serology •

More in females (2:1) •

No systemic lesions •

Classification of cut. LE (Cont'd)

Subacute cutaneous LE (SCLE) II)

Photosensitive non-scarring lesions •

Annular polycyclic
or

Psoriasiform ➤

Heal with
grey pig

+ve anti-Ro & La Abs •
(70%)

➤ +ve ANAs

➤ -ve anti-nDNA, anti-Sm & anti-RNP

Mild systemic lesions (in •
50%) mainly arthritis, but
rare renal affection

More in females (3:1) •

Neonatal LE ➤

Classification of cut. LE (Cont'd)

Acute cutaneous LE (SLE) III)

- **Specific skin lesions**

- Facial “malar” erythema
- Discoid LE lesions
- Photosensitive dermatitis
- Generalized erythema
- Bullous lesions (BSLE)

- **+ve anti-nDNA,**
- **anti-Sm & low comple**
- **+ve ANA**
- **More in females (8:1)**

- **Severe multisystem affection &**
- **renal affection**

Classification of cut. LE (Cont'd)

Mixed connective tissue dis. (MCTD)

- Raynaud's phenomenon, sclerodactyly & arthralgia but rare renal affection
- +ve anti-nRNP Abs

Drug-induced LE

- +ve anti-histones Abs

Discoid lupus erythematosus – DLE

- erythematous, discoid plaques with adherent scales & follicular plugging
- Heal: thin, white atrophic scar + raised or hyperpigment border.

- **Neoplastic change** (SCC or BCC)

➤ **Site:** sun-exposed areas, -face (butterfly area),

➤ -scalp(cicatricial



Widespread DLE

Widespread – other areas than the head & neck. •

- Clinically: patients DLE
- Have a chronic course, less remission.
- Difficult to control.
- Frequent serological abnormalities
- & risk of cytopenia.





- High Photosensitivity, 50% meet criteria for SLE Subacute cutaneous lupus erythematosus (SCLE)
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- Anti-Ro+ (SSA+),
 - **Variants:** Annular erythematous variant
 - Psoriasiform variant
 - Deficiency of C2 (2nd component of complement)
 - Associated phenomena
 - **Drug-induced SCLE**
 - Neonatal LE
 - **Sjogren's syndrome (Annular erythema)**

Subacute cutaneous LE (SCLE)

- Annular-polycyclic pattern
+erythematous scaly border
&hypopigmented centre,
- confined to back and arms.
- ANA +ve



Anti-Ro antibody +ve lupus subsets

Clinical features

Cutaneous lesions •

- Non-scarring annular or psoriasiform lesions.
- Photosensitivity.

Subacute Cutaneous Lupus



Anti-Ro Ab +ve lupus subsets (Cont'd)

Mild systemic manifestations •

- Arthritis
- Pulmonary diseases
- Neuropsychiatric disorders
- Vasculitis
- Rare renal diseases
- *Increase incidence of HLA-DR3.*
- *Good prognosis.*

Neonatal LE “NLE”

- It occurs in female infants of mothers(↑ prevalence of HLA-DR3 & B8) who have or will develop CTD.
- Anti-Ro Abs “serological markers”.
- The infant develops:
 - Periorbital “owl-eye”.
 - SCLE-like lesions. Photosensitivity.
 - Transient: thrombocytopenia & cholestatic hepatitis.





Neonatal LE “NLE” (Cont’d)

of babies Mothers with •
congenital heart disease
have a 1:3 chance of
developing SLE or other
connective tissue disease.

Acute cutaneous LE

(Systemic lupus erythematosus –
SLE)

CLINICAL FEATURES:

- **Constitutional** 50-100% Fatigue, fever (in absence of infection), weight loss.
- **Musculoskeletal** 67% Arthritis, arthralgia, myositis
- **Hematologic** 36% Anemia, leukopenia, thrombocytopenia,
- **RES:** 7-23 % Lymphadenopathy, HSM.

CLINICAL FEATURES:

- **Skin:** 73% Butterfly rash, photosensitivity rash, **mucous membrane lesion**, **alopecia**, Raynaud's phenomenon, purpura, vasculitic ulceration, Nailfold capillary changes
- **Renal** 16-38% Hematuria, proteinuria, cellular casts, nephrotic syndrome

CLINICAL FEATURES:

- **Neuropsychiatric** 12-21%
Psychosis(Behavior/Personality changes, depression) ,cranial & peripheral neuropathies
- seizures, Chorea, Stroke
- **GIT:** 18 % Nausea, vomiting, abdominal pain
 - **Cardiac** 15 %: Pancarditis, Valvular or Coronary Artery Disease.
- **Pulmonary** 2-12 %: Pleurisy, pulmonary HT, pulmonary disease.

MALAR RASH

- Fixed erythema, flat or raised, on the malar eminences
- Tending to spare the nasolabial folds



DISCOID RASH

- Erythematous raised patches with adherent keratotic scaling and follicular plugging;
- Atrophic scarring may occur in older lesions



Acute Cutaneous: Malar Rash

Note Sparing of Nasolabial Folds



Chronic Cutaneous: Discoid

Note Scarring, Follicular Plugging
Hypo. Hyperpigmentation



ORAL ULCERS

- Oral or nasopharyngeal ulceration
- Usually painless, observed by a physician



Scarring Alopecia, Follicular Plugging



SLE - VASCULOPATHY

- Small vessel vasculitis
- Raynaud's phenomenon
- APL antibody syndrome





Palmar erythema



SLE (Cont'd)

- The presence of vasculitis or urticaria in a patient with SLE is usually indicative of circulating immune complex disease and active, often severe, systemic involvement.



Other clinical features

Arthritis

arthralgia , myalgias

symmetrical, non-erosive synovitis

typically of *small joints* of hands, wrists, & *knees*

- Jacob's arthropathy (formities) sible



Arthritis(Jaccoub's Arthropathy)

- Most common
- Nonerosive, Reducible Deformities
- Transient, symmetrical,
- small joints



Pulmonary features

pneumonitis/fibrosis or haemorrhage

pleurisy commonest

-consider also PE

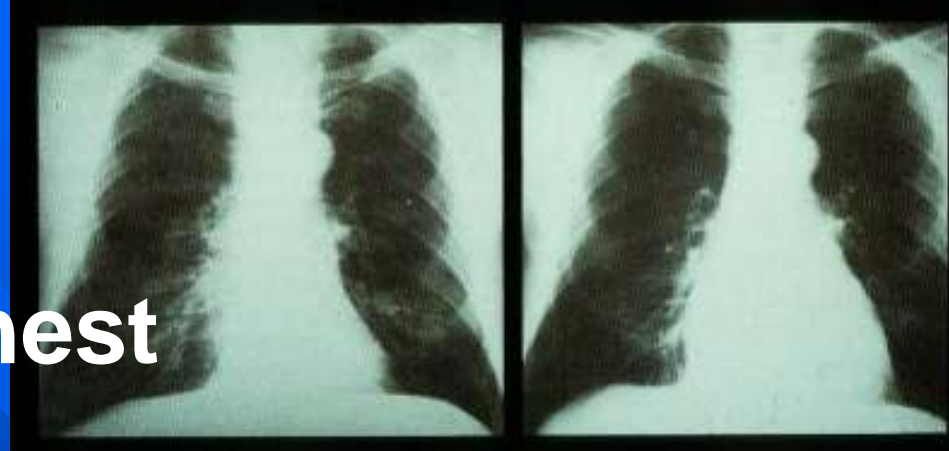
and infection



pulmonary hypertension



Cardiac manifestations

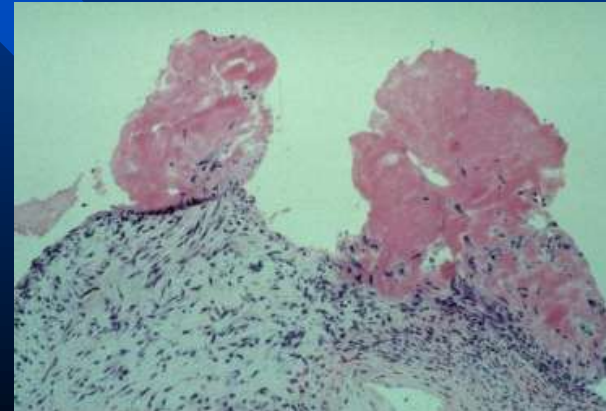


Pericarditis commonest

Myocarditis

Libman-Sacks endocarditis

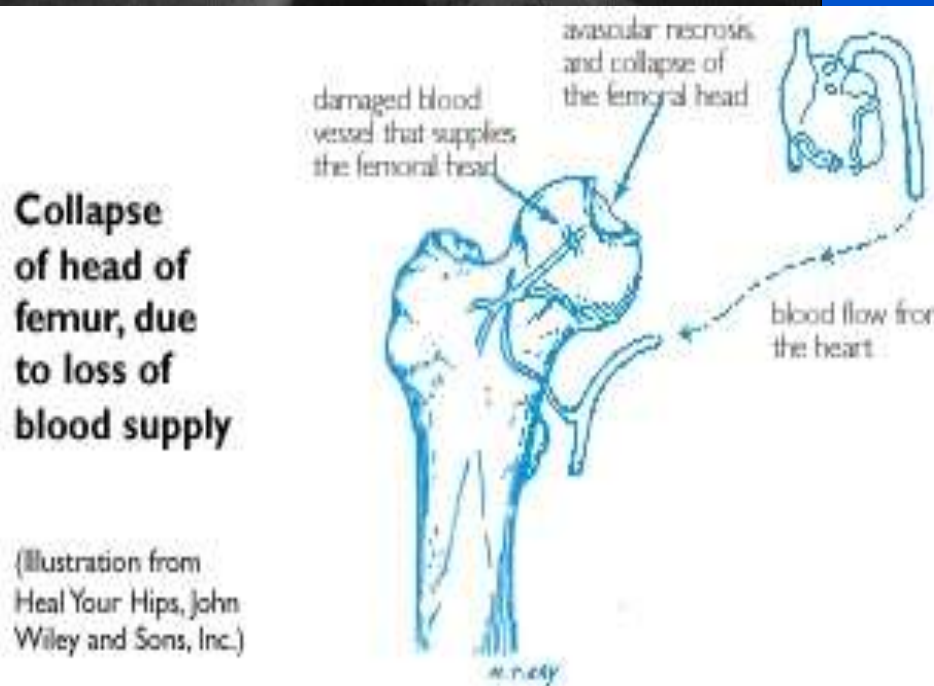
**Coronary artery disease
(premature)**



Musculoskeletal

- Synovitis-90%
- Osteoporosis

- Osteonecrosis
(avascular necrosis)
-SLE itself or Cs T



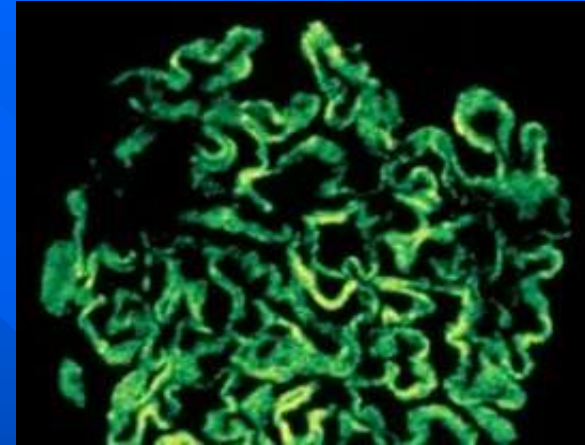
Renal disease- consider biopsy if:

Proteinuria > 0.5 g/24 hours

red or white cells in urine

casts

creatinine clearance reduced
(<80 ml/min)



Gastrointestinal disease- (drugs?)

anorexia, nausea, (vomiting)

malabsorption or

vasculitis/ischaemia

Typical neurological syndromes

Headache

Cerebrovascular disease

Seizure

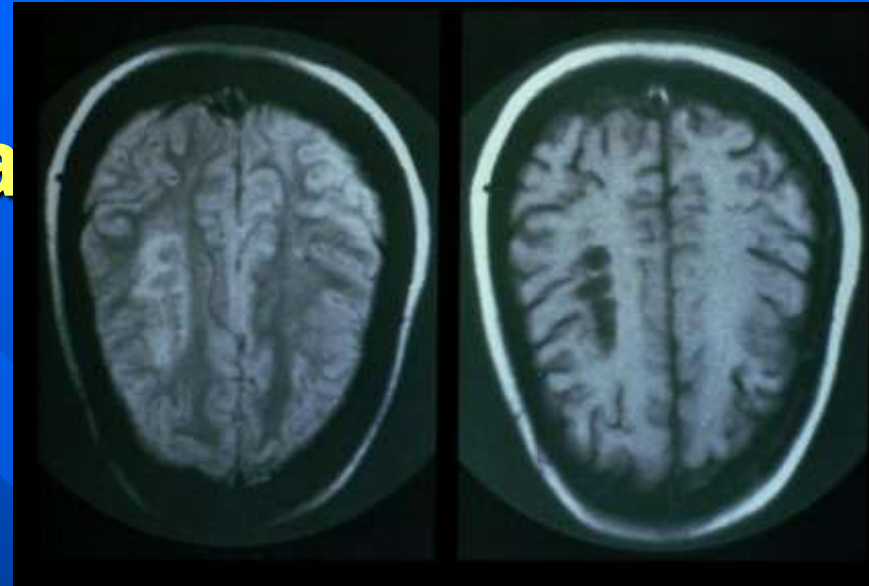
Chorea

Cognitive dysfunction

Psychosis

Mononeuropathy (single/multiplex)

Polyneuropathy



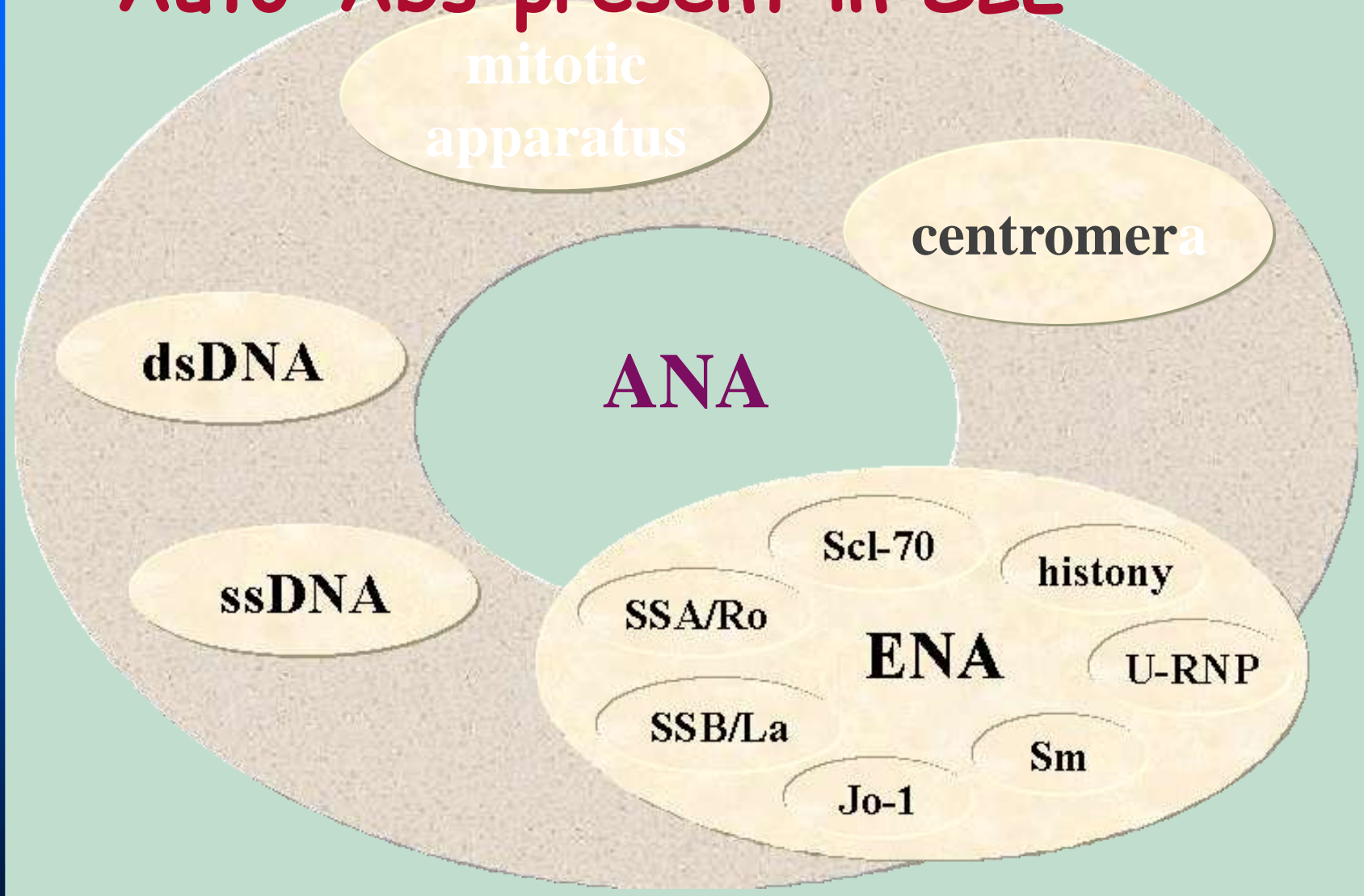
Reproductive features of SLE

- Recurrent Miscarriages
- Fetal growth retardation
- Neonatal lupus syndrome
- Congenital heart block
- Premature menopause

HEMATOLOGIC DISORDER

- A) Hemolytic anemia - with reticulocytosis
- B) Leukopenia $< 4,000/\text{mm}^3$ total on 2 or more occasions
- C) Lymphopenia $< 1,500/\text{mm}^3$ on 2 or more occasions
- D) Thrombocytopenia $< 100,000/\text{mm}^3$ (no offending drugs)

Auto-Abs present in SLE



ENA: extractable nuclear antigens

Lupus serology

ANA	Highly sensitive for SLE (+ in 98%) <u>Highly specific for SLE</u>
dsDNA	Lupus nephritis
Sm	severe SLE(20%)
rRNP	CNS lupus <u>Low specificity for SLE</u>
ssDNA	Risk of SLE in DLE pts, linear scleroderma
Histones	Drug-induced LE, localized scleroderma
U1RNP	MCTD
SS-A (Ro)	SCLE, Sjogren's, neonatal lupus
SS-B (La)	Sjogren's SCLE
APL / LA	Positive in 40% SLE

ANA

➤ It is useful as Screening test not prognostic nor follow up **SLE or other CTD.**

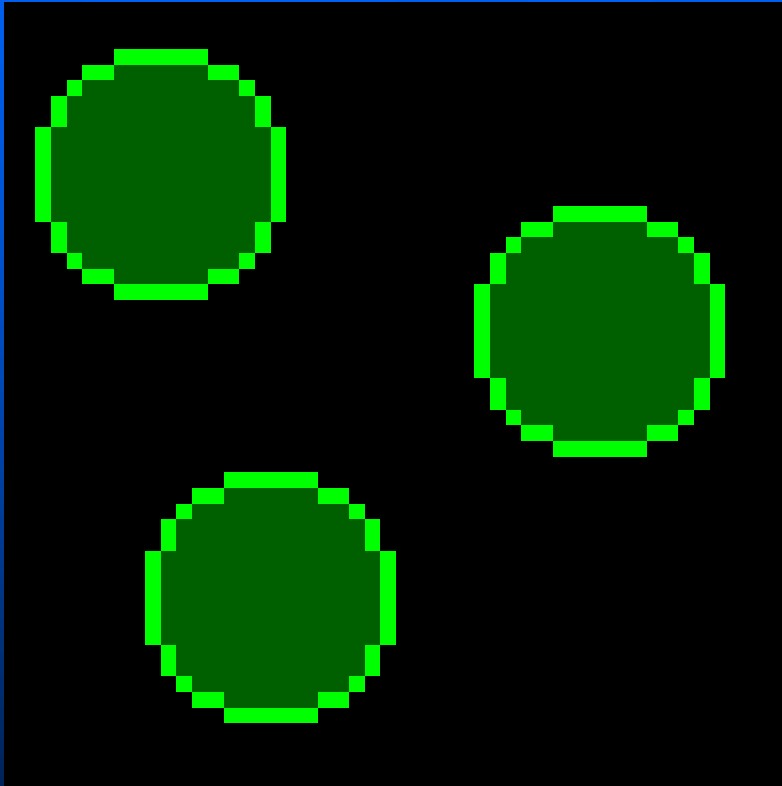
➤ False positive results in:

- * 5-10 % of healthy individuals..
- * some pts with +ve family history of SLE.
- transiently positive in response to:
 - *viral infection.
 - *chronic infection.
 - lymphoproliferative disorders. *
 - *liver disease.

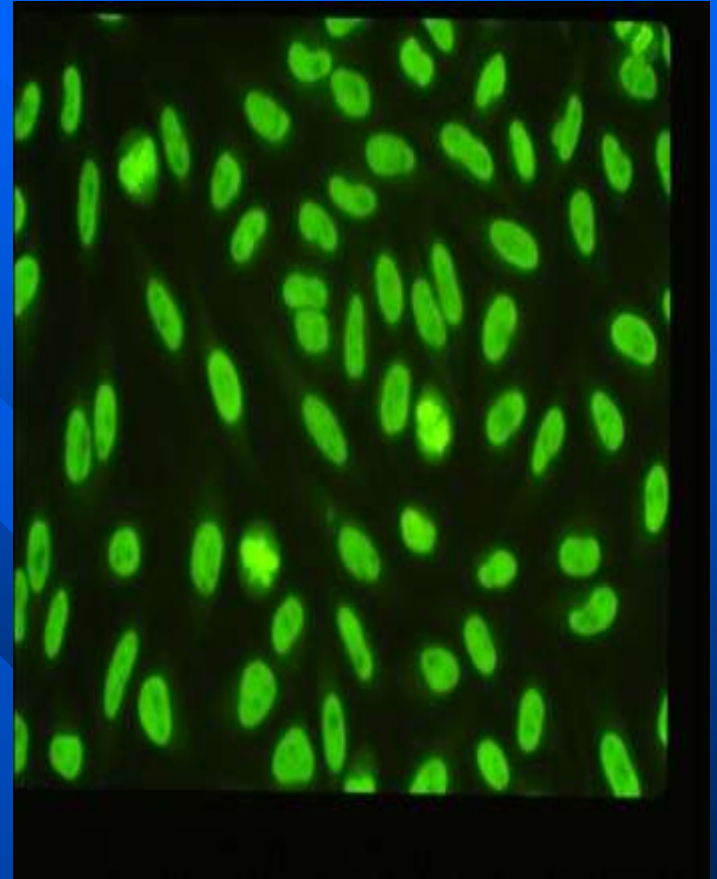
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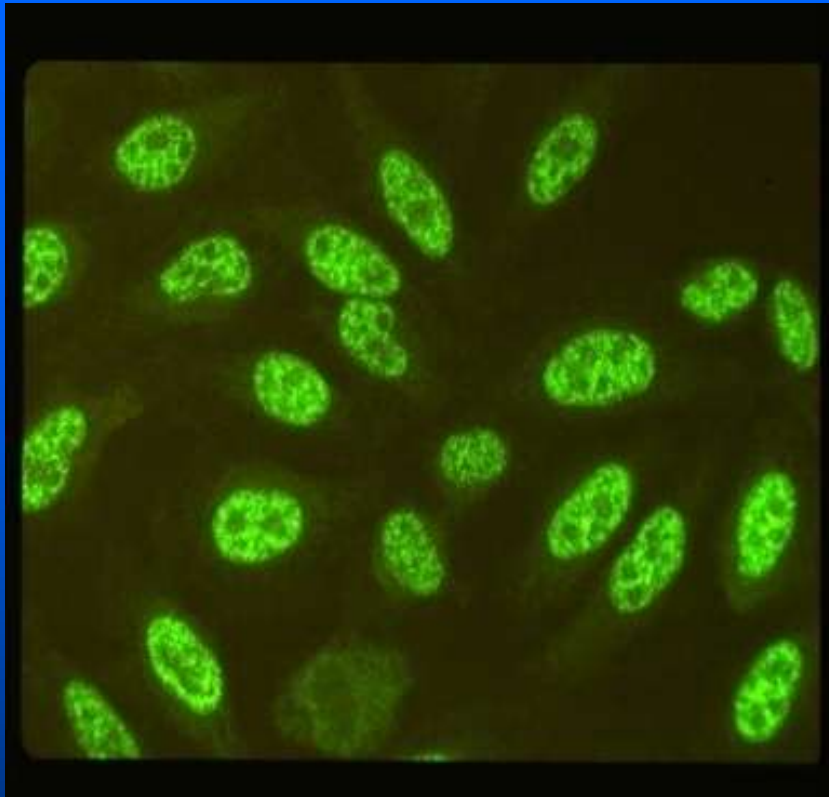
ANA Patterns



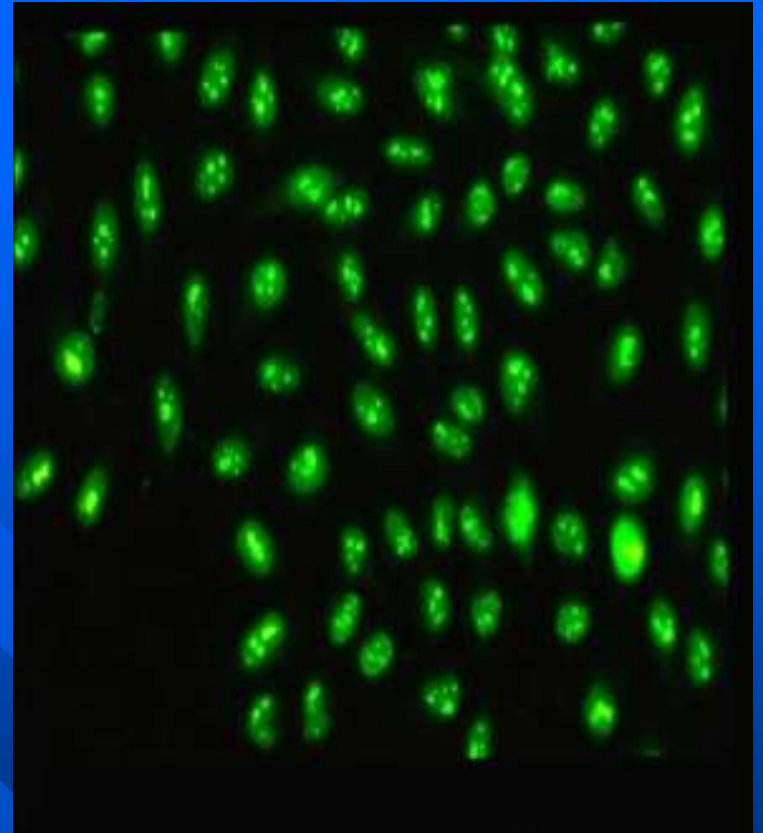
Peripheral Pattern (DNA)



**Homogeneous Pattern
(Anti Histone AB)**







Speckled Pattern (Anti Smith,
RNP, SS-A, SS-B, Jo-1, Scl-70)



Nucleolar Pattern (Nucleolus-
specific RNA in
Scleroderma)

Fluorescent ANA test (indirect IF)

	ANA	Antigen	Diagnosis	Prognosis
	Peripheral	nDNA	SLE	Poor
	Homogeneous	Histones nDNA	Drug-induced LE	Good Poor
	Nucleolar	Nuclear RNA	SLE PSS, SLE	Poor
	Centromere	Kinetochores	CREST	Good
	Speckled	ENA: SM RNP	SLE MCTD	Poor Good

MARKERS FOR SLE:

- **ANA** -ve exclude SLE except..
- **ANA +ve +Anti-ds-DNA= SLE + lupus nephritis.**
 - Specific not Sensitive (50-60-% SLE),
so its absence should not exclude SLE
- **SS-DNA in 70% SLE pts (lupus nephritis).but not specific to SLE (in RA & chronic infection)**
- ➤ **The titer increase with flares & is helpful in monitoring success of TTT of SLE**
- **ANA +ve + Anti-rRNP= SLE + CNS lupus**

MARKERS FOR SLE:

■ **Anti- Smith antibodies:**
severe SLE with membranous nephritis.

■ **Anti- RNP Abs:**

-- mild SLE .

-MCTD (High titer) .

-Sjogron \$

- RA, scleroderma

■ **APL Abs** = thrombotic risk &

■ recurrent spont abortion in women



MARKERS FOR SLE:

■ Anti-SSA (RO) Abs:

- mild SLE -SCLE
- Neonatal LE -Sjogren's \$

■ Anti-SSB(La) Abs:

- SLE patients
- Sjogren's \$(60%) .

■ Anti-histones:

Drug Induced LE



REVISED ARA-CRITERIA FOR SLE DIAGNOSIS

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1. **Malar rash**
2. **Discoid rash**
3. **Photosensitivity**
4. **Oral ulcers**
5. **Arthritis**
6. **Polyserositis**
7. **Renal disease.**
 - > 0.5 g/d proteinuria
 - ≥ 3+ dipstick proteinuria
 - Cellular casts
8. **Neurologic disease.**
 - Seizures
 - Psychosis (without other cause)
9. **Hematologic disorders.**
 - Hemolytic anemia
 - Leukopenia (< 4000/uL)
 - Lymphopenia (< 1500/uL)
 - Thrombocytopenia (< 100,000/uL)
10. **Immunologic abnormalities.**
 - Positive LE cell
 - Anti-ds- DNA
 - Anti- Sm
 - Any APL
11. **Positive ANA (95-100%)**

CLASSIFICATION CRITERIA

- Must have 4 of 11 for Classification
 - Sensitivity 96%
 - Specificity 96%
- However, diagnosis is ultimately clinical
- Not all “Lupus” is SLE
 - Discoid Lupus
 - Subacute Cutaneous Lupus
 - Drug induced lupus
 - Overlap syndrome

- When you see cutaneous signs of lupus...
 - • Referral to a Rheumatologist is helpful
- Communicate with relevant colleagues
- • Evaluate as a team for internal manifestations
- • Match the best therapy to the presumed skin/internal manifestations the



Is it over yet?

LUPUS RELATED SYNDROMES

Antiphospholipid Syndrome (APS)

- Recurrent venous & arterial thrombosis
- Antiphospholipid antibody
 - LAC-Abs to coagulation factors.
 - Prolonged aPTT
 - Anti-cardiolipin
- Depressed serum complement
- Anti histones Abs



C/P

- Livedo Reticularis

- Pregnancy: Recurrent abortion in first trimester

- Primary (no other SLE feature) or Secondary (SLE features present).



Raynaud's Syndrome

- Not part of the diagnostic criteria for SLE
- Does NOT warrant ANA if no clinical evidence

In MCTD:

- , sclerodactyly, arthralgia,
- +ve nRNP Abs

Raynaud's phenomenon



IV-SJÖGREN'S SYNDROME

1- ANA in 70% of patients.

2-Anti-SSA (RO) Abs :

- in 50 - 70% of Sjogren's syndrome.

3-Anti-SSB(LA) Abs:

- in 60% of Sjogren's syndrome

4-RF in 90% of patients.

Mucosal ulcers in Sjogren's syndrome



Sicca symptoms- secondary Sjogren's syndrome

Drug Induced Lupus

- +ve ANA
- Male:Female ratio is equal
- Nephritis and CNS abnormalities rare
- No anti-DNA Abs
- Normal C3,C4
- Classically associated with hydralazine, isoniazid, procainamide
- Symptoms usually resolve with stopping drug

Comparison of drug-induced SLE & SCLE

	SLE	SCLE
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Skin lesions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rare 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SCLE or gyrate erythema
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Serositis 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Common 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Occasional
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Serology 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anti-histone 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anti-Ro(SS-A)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drug 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Procainamide, hydralazine, minocycline, INH, anti-TNF agents, etc. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HCTZ, Ca channel blockers, terbinafine, ACE inhibitors, statins, anti-TNF agents, etc.



Thank you

Questions or Comments?



Q -ANA is useful in evaluating:

- a) Patients with photosensitivity.
- b) Patients with chronic vasculitis.
- c) Patients undergoing phototherapy.
- d) Patients with facial eruptions.
- e) Patients with discoid LE.





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Immunology Unit

Ref. Range

Anti DNA by ELISA

Negative 17 AU/mL

Up to 26-

Ro (SS-A).

Positive 73 Units

< 20

Negative

20-39

Weak pos.

40-80

Mod. positive

> 80

Strong pos.

La (SS-B)

Positive 178 Units

< to 20

Negative

20-39

Weak Pos.

40-80

Mod. Positive

>80

Strong Pos.

Dr. A. A. A.

**Which of the following drugs has been 1.
linked to both drug-induced SLE &
c) drug-induced SCLE?**

a) Terbinafine.

b) Hydrochlorothiazide.

c) Etanercept.

d) Minocycline.

In comparison to SLE, which of the 2. following is statistically more frequent

(a)

in SCLE?

- a) Photosensitivity.**
- b) Renal disease.**
- c) Anti-Ro / SS-A antibody.**
- d) Leukopenia.**

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Thank you



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